## **Board of Education Information**

**To:** Board of Education

From: Matt Rich

Date: April 25, 2024

Re: Employment of Jennifer Gendel

## **Recommendation:**

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the employment of Dr. Jennifer Gendel as the Coordinator of Student Services at the rate of \$50,000 for the 2024-25 school year as presented.

## **Background Information:**

Dr. Gendel has spent her career focused on supporting students and helping those with disabilities grow. Her teaching experiences included early childhood, kindergarten, and special education inclusion facilitator. Administratively, she served in a variety of roles including assistant principal, special education program coordinator, and principalships in Skokie and Avoca. During the seven years she has done a range of consulting services focused on including individuals with disabilities in a variety of settings as she has been raising her twin sons. Dr. Gendel has a Bachelor's degree in Special Education from Boston University, a Master of Education degree focused on Early Childhood Leadership from National Louis University and a Doctorate from Loyola University.